and Stearns in Minnesota, by an Act of Congress approved October 9, 1940, is hereby extended three years from October 9, 1943.

SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby

expressly reserved.

Approved June 1, 1944.

[CHAPTER 223]

AN ACT

To extend the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Calcasieu River at or near Lake Charles, Louisiana.

June 1, 1944 [H. R. 4054] [Public Law 326]

54 Stat. 1061.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Calcasieu River, at or near Lake Charles, authorized to be built by the State of Louisiana, by an Act of Congress approved June 22, 1943, are hereby extended two and four years, respectively, from June 22, 1944.

Calcasieu River. Time extended for bridging, at Lake Charles, La.

57 Stat. 160.

Sec. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved June 1, 1944.

[CHAPTER 224]

AN ACT

To provide for regulation of certain insurance rates in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

June 1, 1944 [S. 1029] [Public Law 327]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

Insurance rates, D. C.

"District" means the District of Columbia;

"Superintendent" means the superintendent of insurance of the District of Columbia;

"Superintendent."

"Company" means any insurer, whether stock, mutual, reciprocal, interinsurer, Lloyd's, or any other form or group of insurers;

"Company."

"District."

"Agent" means and shall include any individual, co-partnership, or corporation acting in the capacity of or licensed as a "policy-writing agent", "soliciting agent", or "salaried company employee", as defined under section 3, chapter I, of the Fire and Casualty Act, approved October 9, 1940 (54 Stat. 1064; D. C. Code, 1940 edition,

"Agent," terms included.

title 35, sec. 1303); and "Broker" means any person who for a consideration acts or aids in any manner in the solicitation or negotiation on behalf of the

"Broker."

assured of contracts of insurance.

Application.

SEC. 2. The provisions of this Act shall apply to insurance in the District of Columbia against loss of or damage to property or any valuable interest therein by or as a consequence of fire, lightning, tornado, windstorm, and explosion, or any one or more of such hazards, including all supplemental, additional, or extended forms of coverage written in connection with fire insurance, and including any policy which insures property, while it is at a permanent location, against the hazard of fire, lightning, tornado, windstorm, or explosion; but this Act shall not apply to ocean marine, transportation, boiler and machinery, or motor-vehicle insurance, nor to insurance covering the property of interstate common carriers, nor to any form of insurance designated by the Superintendent as inland marine insurance.

Exceptions.

SEC. 3. The Superintendent is empowered to investigate the necessity for an adjustment of the rates on any or all risks or classes of risks within the scope of this Act, and to order an adjustment of such rates whenever he determines, after investigation of the experience

Rate adjustments.